

Information from Newport News Waterworks to Adjacent Landowners
Runoff from your yard could harm the reservoir, our customers, and the Chesapeake Bay.
We would appreciate your help in protecting our drinking water sources.

WON'T YOU PLEASE:

Reduce the use of herbicides and pesticides around your yard. Apply according to the label and seek non-toxic alternatives whenever possible.

Use chemical fertilizers sparingly. Test your soil before applying to see how much fertilizer is needed. Using the correct amount can save time and money and keep harmful nutrients out of the reservoir.

Dispose of oil and chemicals properly. Never dump oil, antifreeze, paint or other chemicals into the reservoir, stream or ditch. Take them to a recycling or disposal center.

Clean up behind your pet. Animal waste may contain harmful bacteria, viruses, and nutrients that can harm water quality.

Properly maintain your automobiles and lawnmowers. Oil and antifreeze leaks that get washed into ditches and streams can wind up in the reservoir.

Limit paved surfaces in your yard. Instead, use porous surfaces such as gravel, stone, or mulch to slow runoff.

Watch for soil erosion around your yard. Sow seed or plant ground covers on bare sites. Use native species that require less maintenance.

If you have a septic tank be sure it is properly maintained. See that it is pumped out every three to five years.



ACTIVITIES NOT ALLOWED:

NO soil disturbing activities are allowed at the water's edge at all. Why? Because erosion degrades water quality and water quality is essential for humans and wildlife.

- **DO NOT** clear or cut any vegetation including trees, shrubs, and underbrush;
- **DO NOT** build piers, docks, wharfs, duck blinds, or any other structures;
- **DO NOT** drive motorized vehicles on the Waterworks buffer.

If you are concerned about runoff or erosion leaving a nearby construction site, contact Newport News Waterworks or your local Erosion and Sediment Control office (telephone numbers listed below).

Newport News Engineering Department
Stormwater Division (757) 933-2311

James City County Environmental Division
(757) 253-6670

York County Environmental &
Development Services (757) 890-3750

New Kent County Planning & Community
Development Department (804) 966-9670

Don't know where your property line is?
Call Waterworks' Watershed Inspector at
(757) 234-4863.

**Waterworks' reservoirs are part of the
Chesapeake Bay Watershed. Thank you
for helping us protect these vital drinking
water sources.**



Little Creek Reservoir

Located in James City County; owned by Newport News Waterworks; recreation facilities operated by James City County. Boat ramp/rentals, picnic shelters, piers, concessions, and playground. For more information go to www.jamestownva.gov.

Diascund Reservoir

Located in James City and New Kent counties; owned by Newport News Waterworks; recreational facilities owned and operated by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Public boat ramp open all year. Reservoir rules and regulations can be found at www.nnva.gov/waterworks.

Harwood's Mill Reservoir

Located in York County; owned by Newport News Waterworks; recreation facilities operated by Newport News Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Boat ramp/rentals, hiking/biking trails, picnic tables and shelters.

Lee Hall Reservoir

Located in Newport News and York County; owned by Newport News Waterworks; recreation facilities operated by Newport News Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Camp sites, boat rentals/ramp, picnic shelters, hiking/biking trails, and Discovery Center.

Skiffe's Creek Reservoir

Located in Newport News and James City County; owned and operated by Newport News Waterworks. No public access or facilities. Recreational usage by licensed agreement with adjacent property owners only.

Swimming is not allowed in any of our reservoirs.



Newport News Waterworks

is a regional public water utility serving
Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, York
County and parts of James City County.

Our Mission:

Contribute to the well-being of our community through the provision of an adequate supply of high-quality drinking water.
(And to be the best neighbor we can be!)

Contact us by Phone:

Watershed Inspector	(757) 234-4863
Customer Service	(757) 926-1000
Customer Service TDD	(757) 926-1100
Emergency (after hrs)	(757) 234-4800
Emergency TDD	(757) 234-4933

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